

NEPA Notes reports on National Environmental Policy Act issues at Rocky Flats such as upcoming and/or ongoing environmental

assessments (EAs) public comment periods and the Site wide Environmental Impact Statement NEPA Notes will be a regular EM Update feature

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Upcoming Public Meetings

Operable Unit 4

Reading Rooms

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problems All sludges from the be dried and stabilized before currently stored in tanks would the cover The sludges offsite would be placed under been slated for shipment ponds including cementation least 30 years to detect any reated pondcrete that had

If the CAMU Fits

Group describes the situation different rules applied once contaminated material was allowed capping to remediate a Corrective Action as hazardous waste to be able EG&Gs OU 4 Remediation contamination is present but undisturbed areas where Original RCRA regulations Management Unit (CAMU) management concept known possibility is a waste to Operable Unit (OU) 4 a disturbed Andy Ledford of If we pick up a shovelful of What makes this solution

S introduced the CAMU concept and sludge we have to manage it contaminated soil or a gallon of disposal But a recent change to RCRA regulations known as Subpart standards or sent offsite for final to put it back down Pond opened the door to another alternative meet Landfill Disposal Restriction pond area would have to be treated to disturbed or removed from the solar sludge and contaminated soils once A cross section of the proposed engineered cover for OU 4

GENERAL BAC FILL OR OPSOIL V ER -VEGE IVE SURFACE (EROSION CON ROL AND RANSPIR TION PPEA GRAVEL EROSION CONTROL COM AM NATE MEDIA BACKE SAND FILTER) TOPSOIL/GRAVE INI VEGE ATION SUPPORT/EROSION CONTROL SAND SUBSURFACE DR I IL ER SAND (SUBSURFACE DR I ANGULAR RIPRAP 6 TO 10 BIOTIC BARRIER GR VEL (FILTER SAND DR INAGE ANGULAR RIPRAP 2 TO BIOTI BARRIE CAPIL AR SPHAL CONCRE E
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The Ultimate Solution?

topped mound the first remediation 4 intended to hold only wastes from remediation waste disposal site at OU create a one time one IHSS proposal allowing some wastes to consolidated under the cover in a flat the solar ponds The wastes are to be The CAMU if approved would

> suggested One alternative is solution that might cost 16 a permitted landfill in Utah a to ship all sludges and soils to of IHSS 101 have been Other Alternatives accomplished under Phase II only groundwater cleanup to be remediation actions leaving compatible with any forseeable disposition site will be fully two phase program The remediate OU 4 according to a is required to close and primarily as a Phase I action engmeered cover is seen believe that the capped but OU 4 program managers Interagency Agreement permanently Under the Other solutions for closure DOE

consolidating and capping the difficult involves shipping some sludge to Utah and expensive and logistically plan A third option also soil around the ponds times more than the CAMU

described in the draft Document which will be IM/IRA/EA Decision All three alternatives are

and workshop on OU 4 will be held on Jan 25 at the Arvada Center for the review on Feb 10 the date marking the article) period A public information meeting start of the 60 day public comment available in the reading rooms for Arts and Humanities 6901 Wadsworth Blvd Arvada (see accompanying

for some time and many of the comments received have been used to shape the draft OU 4 IM/IRA Decision Document. This document and OU 4 remediation in Operable Unit 4 has been in the news and on the minds (and lips) of stakeholders **Environmental Management**

Operable Unit 4 Workshop

general will be the theme of a workshop to be held Jan 25 1995 from 6 30 to 8 30 pm at the Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities 6901 Wadsworth Blvd Arvada The workshop will feature exhibits a panel discussion and Environmental Protection Agency This is an opportunity for Rocky Flats stakeholders to come forward examine issues and hare their thoughts and values regarding the OU 4 remediation proposal said Eilten Jemison EC&C Community technical staff and representatives from the Rocky Flats Finvironmental Technology Site—the Colorado Department of Public Health and the Environment and the P () Pull hed by EG&(Ricky Flat. Inc Community Relations 464 Celden CO 80402 0464 George Zepen ck 966 5161

Relations OU4 Team Leader For more information or answers to questions about stakeholder involvement opportunities (all Filech at 966-2302)

Local NEPA Authority Gwen

remain at Rocky Flats

environmental assessment process less environmental assessments authority to initiate approve and issue empowerment will make the portion of NEPA to the various DOF delegate the environmental assessment effective planning tool Department of costly and more efficient officials believe that local DOE legal counsel. This decision gives local NFPA compliance officer and Energy Headquarters has decided to the Rocky Flats Field Office the held offices subject to oversight by the In order to make NEPA a more

also authorized to approve and issue Finding Of No Significant Impact (FONSI) A FONSI is a statement that a proposed action has been studied and he environment found to have no significant impact on The Rocky Flats Field Office is

A DOE First'

site manager signed a FONSI for the NFI A authority was reached when Mark Silverman DOF's Rocky Flats A the first for this DOE field office Environmental Restoration Operations Storage of Materials (enerated by Drum Sto age Facility for Inter m Recently a milestone for local

sludge and miscellaneous wastes 2/4B in the early planning stage consideration for treating sewage ımmobilization technologies under describes two waste

review during their public assessments will comment periods at the information Copies of environmental be available for

consolidation and storage of EA document is Currently RFFO has four being prepared

of this EA is still being determined on surface water Surface Water Structure

actinides for storage tanks and piping systems remove examines the process being proposed actinides (radioactive solids) from to drain acidic solutions—trom site solutions and stabilize the

placed in the Reading Rooms in

slated for distribution to Reading

published in the Implementation Plan

February 1995 The Response to Rooms and the SWEIS mailing list in

Scoping Comments document will be

next 10 years to accomply h the sites

NFIA mandated alternatives) over the actions that could be taken (and

new mission. The alternative, will be

environmental impacts resulting from

SWEIS offers a look at the

Powell DOF Project Manager The

incorporated according to Fatricia

Waste Treatment Systems 3 and

Upcoming EAs

Statement Update

repositories listed on page 3 (Reading

Site Wide Environmental Impact

environmental assessments under way Special Nuclear Material Consolidation deals with proposed information has been gathered and the plutomum in Building 371 Relevant

Statement (SWEIS) has been

completed and stakeholder comments

The scoping phase of the Rocky Flats Site Wide Environmental Impact

Maintenance deals with the effects of present and planned site operations drainage The scope

Actinide Solution Processing

or Becca DePenning F(&C To ask for a copy of the plan or set more information about the SWFIS Community Relations at 966 7050 Implementation Division at 966-6386 EG&G Environmental Policy contact Ms Powell Steve Nesta Assessments or the NF1A process call Ms Powell at 966 3260 For more information about Environmental

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